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SUBJECT: New and Changed Fees, Penalties, and Assessments to Support New Court Facilities

The Judicial Council of California has announced that new and changed fees, penalties, and assessments supporting the court facilities construction fund will go into effect in the state's trial courts effective January 1, 2009. The changes result from the enactment of Senate Bill 1407 on September 26, 2008. The legislation authorizes up to \$5 billion in lease-revenue bonds to finance the construction, rehabilitation, renovation, and replacement of court facilities. The legislation increases civil filing fees and increases or establishes new criminal and traffic fees, penalties, assessments and parking penalties to generate the revenue to fund the debt service on the issued bonds.

The court will begin collecting the increased fees in any affected court matter effective January 1, 2009.

The new civil fees are stated on the court's revised fee schedule. The fee schedule, as well as a schedule of the criminal and traffic fees, assessments, and penalties, can be accessed at the court's website at <http://riverside.courts.ca.gov/> and are available at the court's various clerk's offices.